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To which is added the Instructions of the Citizens of London to their Representatives in Parliament.

Why do the Heathen Rage,—
O Foolish Jacobites, what hath bewitch'd you?

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N the Time of the Trustees, for I \$\mathbb{I}\$ the Forfeited Estates in Ireland,

The following Story made a ceat Noise in the City of Dublin.

A Popish Priest endeavouring to perert Mrs. Alcock;

And finding his Arguments were of no reight,

Was obliged to have Recourse to Tricks

and Artifice.

There is a fort of Fruit, called the Bloody Pear, whose Juice is of a deep Red:

Father *Ignatius*, having procured one of 'em, comes again to feduce the unwary Gentlewoman;

And the better to cloak his Design, he

used several fresh Arguments,

Which, by the Way, proved of as little Validity as the former;

At last,

With a Counterfeit Zeal and stern Countenance, he addresses her in the following Manner.

I find, Daughter, that nothing less than

a Miracle will convince you;

Look you, fays he, this Pear, (pulling it out of his Pocket,) bleeds for your Sins,

And was fent by the Vicar of Christ to

work your Conversion.

Then cutting the Fruit, he squeezed out the crimson Liquor, which the innocent Gentlewoman imagin'd was Blood.

Thus this impious Arch-Jesuit, accomplished by Fraud, what he could not effect

by Plain-dealing.

And the next Sunday that enfued,

Mrs. Alcock was admitted a Member of the Church of Rome.

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And made her Publick Recantation in he Mass-House in Cook-street.

But this is not all.

In three or four Days she took a walk in Palmer's Town Garden;

And coming to the Tree, which produc'd

he Bloody-Pears,

Her Curiofity lead her to pull one of 'em;

By which,

She quickly perceived the Cheat,

And discover'd that her Father-Confessor was an Impostor, and little inferior to the Devil, his Master.

And yet,

By a Nescio quo Fato, she adheres to the Principles of the Papists, nor can the most powerful Arguments reclaim her.

This puts me in Mind of the People of

England,

Such of 'em I mean,

Who being infatuated with the Breath of the Clergy,

(The Jacobite Gentlemen in Masque-

rade,)

And placing an implicit Faith in the

Doctor's ipse dixit,

Are continually roaring out, Divine, Unalienable, Indefeazible, Hereditary-Right.

And tho' they perceive their Error, will

not turn from it.

Now,

To undeceive the Ignorant, and reftore the Credulous to their Senses,

(Provided they are not as obstinate as

Mrs. Alcock.)

I shall plainly shew them the Danger which attends the Practice of those Poisonous Notions which they've imbibed,

And will also detect the Falsity of this

High-Flying Doctrine;

Which,

Tho' it may feem to look strait upon England, squints altogether upon the Pretender.

And if I am not mistaken,

Is calculated for the Meridian of Bar le Duc.

In the Fourth and Fifth Years of the Reign of her late Majesty Queen Anne,

An Act passed the Royal Assent: En-

titled.

An ASt for the better securing her Majesty's Person and Government, and of the Succession of the Crown in the Protestant Line:

By which, among other Things, is is Enacted.

That if any Person or Persons, from and after the 25th Day of March, 1706, shall maliciously, advisedly, and directly, by Writing

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Writing or Printing, declare, maintain, and affirm, that our Sovereign Lady the Queen, that now is, is not the Lawful or Rightful Queen of these Realms; or that the pretended Prince of Wales, who now ftiles himself King of England, by the Name of James the Third, hath any Right or Title to the Crown of these Realms, or that any other Person or Persons hath, or have any Right or Title to the fame, otherwise than according to an Act of A Parliament made in the First Year of their Iate Majesties King William and Queen Mary, Entitled, An Act, declaring the Rights and Liberties of the Subject, and settling the Succession of the Crown; and one other Act made in the Twelfth Year of his faid late Majesty King William the Third, Entitled, An Act, for the further Limitation of the Crown, and better Securing the Rights and Liberties of the Subject: Or that the Kings or Queens of England, with and by the Authority of the Parliament of England, are not able to make Laws or Statutes of fufficient Force or Validity, to Limit and Bind the Crown of this Realm, and the Descent, Limita-tion and Inheritance, or Government thereof;

(mind that I pray ye) fuch Perfon or Perfons shall be guilty of High-Treason, and being thereof convicted and attainted, according to the Laws and Statutes of this B Realm

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' Realm, shall be deemed and adjudged Traytors, and shall suffer Pains of Death, and all Losses and Forfeitures, as in Cases

of High-Treason.

And if any Person or Persons shall, from and after the faid Twenty Fifth Day of March, maliciously and directly, by Preaching, Teaching, advised Speaking, declare, maintain, and affirm, as in mane ner aforesaid; (take Notice of this ye High-Flyers) every fuch Person or Persons, being thereof Lawfully Convicted, shall incur the Danger and Penalty of Premu-" nire.

Now, lest some People may raise an Ob-

jection, and fay,

This Act relates only to England, and does not affect Scotland;

I shall remove this Stumbling-Block out of their Way,

By shewing them,

That the Provisions made in the above-

mention'd Att.

Are extended throughout the whole Kingdom, by an Act of Parliament fince the Union, made in the Sixth Year of our late Sovereign Queen Anne,

Entitled,

An Act for the Security of Her Majesties Person and Government, and of the Succession of the Crown of Great Britain, in the Prote-Stant Line.

Which

Which is in effect,

A Repetition of the former Act, with

proper Alterations for that Purpose.

So that throughout Great Britain, this Act has made it High-Treason for any Perfon maliciously, advisedly, and directly, by Writing or Printing, to maintain and affirm that the pretended Prince of Wales, who now stiles himself King of Great Britain, or King of England, by the Name of James the Third, or King of Scotland, by the Name of James the Eighth, hath any Right or Title to the Crown of these Realms, or that any other Person or Perfons, hath, or have any Right or Title to the same, otherwise than according to an Act of Parliament made in England, in the. First Year of the Reign of their late Ma-'jesties King William and Queen Mary, entitled, An Att declaring the Rights and Li-berties of the Subject, and fettling the Suc-cession of the Crown, and one other Act made in England, in the Twelsth Year of the Reign of his said late Majesty King Wil-liam the Third, entitled, An Act for the further Limitation of the Crown, and better Securing the Rights and Liberties of the Sub-'jett, and the Acts made in England and Scotland, mutually for the Union of the 'Two Kingdoms; or that the Kings or Queens of this Realm, with and by the Authority of Parliament, are not able to

make Laws and Statutes of sufficient Force and Validity, to limit and bind the Crown, and the Descent, Limitation, Inheritance, and Government thereof, every such Perfon or Persons shall be guilty of High-Treafon; and if any Person or Persons shall maliciously and directly, by Preaching, Teaching, or advised Speaking, declare, maintain, and affirm, as aforesaid, such Person or Persons shall incurr the Penalty of Premunire.

From hence we may fafely conclude,

That Unalienable, Indefeasible, and such like hard Words;

Together with the Notions of Hereditary-

Right,

[Except that of the Heirs of the Body of the late Illustrious Princess Sophia, being Protestants,]

Are now at an End:

And the numerous Train of Popish Princes of the Blood, and next in Descent to Her late Majesty,

Are wholly excluded and cut off from

the Crown of Great Britain,

Nor is it material whose Son the Preten-

der is,

Since he is attainted of High-Treason, and debarr'd from the Succession, by several Acts of Parliament.

Now, that we ought to square our Obe-

dience by the Statutes of the Realm,

Of

Of which, I hope, you'll allow these to be part,

Take the Authority of that good and pious Man, the late Arch-Bishop of York;

And, by the By, I believe you will own he was not a Whig.

His Words are,

The Laws of each Kingdom, are the

Measure of the Subjects Obedience.

Which Words are a plain Indication of an honest Patriot, and blew up at once all Jacobite Hopes.

If, in a Natural Body, the Constitution may be changed, for the Recovery, or Pre-

fervation of Health;

I hope the like may be allow'd in the Body-Politick, where the Safety and Wellfare of the whole Community is concern'd.

And let me tell you,

If the Matter be rightly confider'd,

'Tis the Happiest Alteration, that ever was made in any Part of Great Britain;

And without Quibling, may truly be

call'd a Royal Exchange.

Ner, is it unreasonable, that we should

limit and fettle our own Kingdom,

Who have taken upon us to Circumscribe, Settle, and Establish the Kingdoms of others:

Let the Monarchy of Spain and Sardinia be Witness.

But after all,

If you dislike these Proceedings,

And

And are resolved to become a Martyr sor the Fugitive Hero, the young Chevalier,

You may begin as foon as you please;

Yet, I dare venture to affirm,

That neither of the Harry's (the Lord or

the Doctor) as well as they love him,

Will expose their Necks any more to the Ax or the Halter, or do any thing for him, which may hasten their Exit,

If they can but come off with what they

have already committed.

Listen to my Tale;

At a Hearing between two Country Gen-

tlemen, before the Lord Chancellor,

The Council for the Plantiff moved, that a Dog-Kennel, which very much annoyed his Client, might be pulled down, and full Satisfaction should be made for the same:

To this, the Council for the Defendant readily agreed, and so there was an End of the Law-Suit.

But what was the Consequence, think

you?

Mhy truly, He, who had been the Defendant, having obtained what he demanded

Pulls down part of the Dog-Kennel, and builds up a new one twelve Yards nearer;

Which was more convenient for himfelf, but proved twice as offensive to his Neighbour.

This is not unlike the Business of Dun-

kirk;

For which, some of our Politicians gave an Equivalent:

But by the Instructions they sent, for

Treating on that Affair,

I doubt they've discovered their Igno-

rance, or fomething worse,

In giving Room to the French for building a much stronger Fortification and Harbour at Mardyke;

Which is more advantagious to them, but may prove a greater Annoyance to us,

than Dunkirk.

I believe every true Briton will conclude,

that we have made an ill Bargain,

In giving back Lifle, and fome other Towns we had taken, for that which has drawn us into a Snare.

Whoever they were that advised it,

Tis pity but they were branded with in-

delible Marks of Infamy,

And their Names plac'd the foremost in the black Records of Time.

Good God!

That He should be admitted a M—r of S—te, who cannot, or would not, comprehend the Extent of the Word Dista,

Or make a Distinction between it and

The Common Observation is veri-

fy'd, viz.

That though we are too hard for our Foes in the Field,

They are fure to over-reach us in the

Cabinet:

And what may be the Reason I know not,

At least I will not declare it;

But this I will fay,

That though the French Gold has almost irresistible Power,

Yet it did not prevail either at Blenheim

or Rameillies;

In Flanders, or the Treaty of Peace at

Gertruydenbergh.

I heartily wish we had nothing else to account for, than the Mismanagement of Dunkirk:

For, as that does more immediately relate to our selves, we might the easier bear

with it:

But what will Posterity fay,

Who when they have read the Glorious Actions, Courage and Faithfulness of our

Ancestors,

Shall at last see in Capital Letters, How we withdrew from our Allies, and lest them exposed to the Mercy of an Insulting Enemy?

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It carries, methinks, fuch an ugly Countenance, that I know not what Name to give it;

And I fear it will prove a Blot, too diffi-

cult to be wip'd out.

It may be, that the Ages to come may handle it gently, and confider it, as I think it is our first Fault of this Nature:

Or if they proceed more roughly,

They must allow it to be done by the Advice of a Few, and not look upon it as the Ast and Deed of the whole Nation;

Especially when they shall find

The many Protests that have been en-

ter'd against it.

But suppose they should prove so goodnatur'd to pass by our Behaviour at Cambress.

Yet where shall we find an Excuse for abandoning the Distress'd Catalonians? That Remnant of Brave and Unhappy People,

Who chose rather to perish, than fly from their Trust, or give up their Liberty;

Preferring a Glorious Death, before an

Inglorious Slavery.

At whose Instigation did they take Arms? Did we not request and invite them to it? Did they not receive us, and fight for us? I am sure they never forsook us,

But shew'd themselves zealous, faithful

and true.

And what have we done in return for this?

We,

We, like ungenerous People, left them to shift for themselves, surrounded with the Armies of Two Kingdoms;

And let 'em become a Sacrifice to the Rage and Vengeance of an incens'd Mo-

narch.

O Ingratitude! Ingratitude! never to

be forgotten!

Hide therefore your Faces for Shame, ye, who might have prevented their Ruin, and did not:

Talk not how slippery the Bona fide of a certain Person has been, since ye have manifested the Instability of your own.

Did the French King ever abandon his

Confederates?

Did he defert the Catalonians, when they fought for him?

No, no:

He did not desist from Treating, till he had made sufficient Provision for them:

Not a Man of them was hurt, not a Soul given up for a Victim;

There was not an Inch of their Rights

or Liberties infringed or diminish'd.

This was an Action worthy of Glory, which Great Britain might have excell'd, if She had pleased;

For, one Word from Her Mouth, would have done more than France ever did for

them.

Ye had the Sword of God in your Hands,

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A Sword which was drawn in a just Cause, pro Aris & Focis, for your Religion and Country;

A Sword which for a Series of Ten Years

fuccesfively

Conquer'd, took, or put to Flight, whatever did dare to oppose it.

But! - It is Sheathed.

And fince the Conditions ye made for yourfelves, as well as for us,

Were not so honourable, as we might

with Justice and Reason expect;

How could it be thought ye would make

a tolerable Provision for Strangers?

Instructions by the Citizens of London to their Representatives for the ensuing Parliament, from the Original Draught.

E the Citizens of London, who have chearfully elected you to represent us in Parliament, and thereby committed to your Trust, the Sasety, Liberty, Property, and Privileges of us and our Posterity, think it our Duty, as it is our undoubted Right, to acquaint you, what we desire and expect from you, in discharge of the great Considence we repose in you, and what we take to be your Duty, as our Representatives.

1. We desire and expect, that you will enquire by whose Counsels it was, that after God had blessed the Arms of her late

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Majesty and her Allies with a train of unparallel'd Successes, she was prevailed upon, contrary to the Grand Alliance, and her repeated Promises from the Throne to both Houses, to send to, or receive Managers from France, to treat Separately of a Peace, without the Knowledge or Confent of our Allies.

2. By whose Advice the Emperor's Minister, the Count de Gallas, was discharg'd the Court, for refenting and opposing those separate Negociations, contrary not only to the Grand Alliance, but to the Queen's par-

ticular Assurances to his Master.

* 3. By whose Advice the Whig-Ministry and Parliament, and the Duke of Marlborough, were turned off, contrary to the Affurances which her Majesty had given to her Allies, as well as to some of the chief Citizens of London, Directors of the Bank of England, &c. who honeftly told her Majesty, that it would fink the Publick Credit, as it actually did.

4. By whose Advice his Majesty's Memorial, deliver'd by his Minister the Baron. de Bothmar, against those clandestine and separate Negociations, was disregarded, and

the faid Minister affronted.

* 5. By whose Advice and Management our Confederares were condemned without a Hearing, and their Memorials on that account disregarded. count unregarded.

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6. By whose Advice and Management her Majesty was prevailed upon to come to a Cessation of Arms with our common Enemy, and then so surprisingly to withdraw our Troops from those of the Allies, which was attended with such dismal Consequences.

7. By whose Advice and Management all that we had gained by a profusion of Blood and Treasure, in a glorious and successful War, was thrown up, just as we were seizing the Prize of our Conquest, and a free-born People brought within the View of Slavery-

8. By whose Advice and Management our Constitution was struck at, by creating Twelve new Lords at once, to carry a

Vote in the Upper-House.

9. By whose Advice it was, that the Treaty with the Dutch, for settling our common Barrier in the Netherlands, and making them Guarantees for the Protestant Succession, was enervated, and a new Treaty, which weaken'd both Securities, made in its Place.

we were mocked with Assurances of being free from Danger of the neighbouring Fortress of Dunkirk; and whether the late Ministry, or any of them, did agree, that the French King should make a new Harbour at Mardyke, as part of the Equivalent for demolishing

demolishing the Fortifications and Harbour of Dunkirk.

the best Branches of our Trade were exchang'd for Chimera's, and the Ruin of the whole endanger'd by a vile Treaty of Commerce with France.

12. How the Expedition to Canada came to miscarry; and by whose Advice her Majesty, contrary to her Proclamations published in New-England, &c. for encouraging that Expedition, came to allow the French to keep their Interest in Canada, to sell that in Newfoundland, and to settle on Cape Breton, to the great Detriment of our Fishing-Trade, and to the manifest Danger of all our Plantations in North-America.

13. By whose Advice it was that the Confederates were refus'd to be invited to be Guarantees to the Protestant Succession, tho' her Majesty had promis'd it in her Answer to the Address of both Houses, in 1708.

14. By whose Advice it was, that his now Royal Highness, George, Prince of Wales, was deny'd the Liberty to come, and take his Place in Parliament, when the Presence of one of the Illustrious Family of Hanover was so absolutely necessary to quiet the Minds of the People, and to secure us from the just Apprehensions we had of Danger from the Pretender.

15. By whose Advice it was, That His Majefty's Minister, Baron Schutz, was discharg'd the Court, because he demanded the Writ.

16. By whose Advice Sir Patrick Lawless, the Pretender's Agent or Envoy, was entertained at Court at the same time, and honourably convey'd beyond Sea, soon after it was complained of in Parliament.

17. By whose Advice and Management our Holy Church was in Danger of being given up to Popery, our Civil Rights to Tyranny, and the Way prepared for the Pretender.

18. By whose Advice the Jacobite Clans in Scotland were armed and kept in Pay, and that Levies of Men for the Pretender in Great Britain and Ireland were so long connived at?

19. By whose Management it was that the Publick Affairs of the Kingdom are brought under the greatest Difficulties, as well in Respect of our Trade, and the Interruption of our Navigation, as of the great Debts of the Nation, which have been much increased since the last War, as His Majesty has been graciously pleased to inform us, in His Proclamation for calling a new Parliament.

20. We also desire and expect that you concur in demanding an Account how the Money rais'd by Parliament, has been expended since

the Change of the Ministry, 1710.

21. That you not only concur in such Enquiries, but also in a Parliamentary Way to bring such to Justice as shall be found guilty of those Mismanagements; this being a Duty owing to our selves, as well as our Confederates, and indispensably necessary for retrieving the Honour of the Nation, and restoring

a due Confidence and Harmony amongst all

the Allies.

22 * That you concur in making fuch Laws as shall be thought further Necessary to secure His Majesty's Possession, and the Succession of His Royal Posterity, against all Pretenders, and fuch Maxims and Doctrines as have been advanced by any of our Clergy, or others, for supporting the pretended Claim of Indefeasible Hereditary-Right.

23. That you concur in making such Laws as shall be thought necessary for the further Security of the Churches of England and Scotland, as they are feverally by Law Established; and for Suppressing those Groundless and Seditious Clamours of the Church of England being in Danger under His Majesty's Admini-八块 的小山 电线 stration.

24. That you concur in giving the King fuch Aids, as shall be thought necessary for enabling His Majesty to Defend the Nation, to Support and Retrieve our Trade, and to Keep the Ballance of Europe, which is threatned with a new War, by the Intrigues of

the Common Enemy.

25. And lastly, We defire and expect that you concur in fuch Laws as shall be thought Necessary for uniting His Majesty's Protestant Subjects, and particularly for making the Tolleration allowed to Protestant Dissenters inviolable, and to ease them of the Hardships they have been brought under by Men of Arbitrary Principles and Restless Passions, because of their firm Adherence to the Civil Liberties of the Nation, and especially to the Protestant Succession, when it was most in Danger.

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